

## united



Reminiscing the year conveyed a strong sense of nostalgia and success. Wonderful memories were made by every student, and not a day went by without something exciting occurring. Little by little, the campus made improvements that benefitted people on and off the grounds, and the surrounding community was forever grateful to the effort that was put into enhancing the quality of life. Many awards and statuses were dedicated, and it would not have been possible had it not been for the united efforts of the Bears.

Many victories were achieved in the world of athletics, and the addition of a new tennis team pleased many people on campus. No matter what team they played for, the Bears triumphed in more ways than one. New classes were introduced to the academic curriculum, and the campus welcomed new faculty and staff to enrich the minds of young students. Organizations such as Phi Theta Kappa and the Baptist Student Union diligently worked to make the world a better place one step at a time, and members made a difference whether they remained on campus or traveled halfway across the world. *The Pine Burr* and *Whispering Pines* took home first place overall in their annual competition, and pride was evident among everyone on campus.

The Chronicle of Higher Education recognized the college as a "Great College to Work For," according to an annual survey. Another priceless achievement came from www.bestcolleges.com as they designated Southwest as the number one Best Online Community College. With more than 60,000 students attending online and on campus each year, there was certainly a place reserved at the top for one of the grandest schools in the country. These countless attainments existed due to their assiduous performance, and it was indisputable that the Bears were a united force that could excel no matter what.

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left: Jeremy Gibson, Da'Bryan Magee, and Ronnie Bates unite to score a touchdown and defeat the opposing team.